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1. Production of iron and steel in the Russian zone during August 1948 was as follows:

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Pig iron	13,300 tons	Maximilianshütte
including		
Thomas iron	8,000 tons	
foundry iron	3,700 tons	
cast iron	1,500 tons	
Raw steel	13,200 tons	
including		
Siemens-Martin steel	3,800 tons	Hennigsdorf
	1,800 tons	Riesa
Thomas steel	4,600 tons	Maximilianshütte
electro-steel	3,000 tons	"
Rolling-mill products		
including		
	597 tons	Hoffmann & Motz, Eberswalde
	787 tons	Ilzenburger Hütte
	9,300 tons	Maximilianshütte
	610 tons	Lange, Aue and Olbernhau (K 94)

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2. An agreement between the Soviet Union and the SMA provides for the delivery of 94,291 tons of rolling-mill products from Russia to Germany. Up to 10 October 1948, deliveries under this agreement

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mill products from Belgian firms for delivery to the Soviet zone of Germany in exchange for shipments of wheat from Russia to Belgium. Actual shipments of steel under this agreement have been reported as follows (the greater part, or all, by way of Rostock):

<u>Period</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Value in Marks</u>	<u>Value in Rubles</u>
1 Jan. - 31 July	24,918 tons	9,197,000	19,497,640
31 July-10 Oct.	<u>15,813</u> "	<u>5,020,453</u>	<u>10,643,360</u>
Total	40,731 tons	14,217,453	30,141,000

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Comment: The above values are based on the calculation of the mabke as equal to 2.12 rubles, which seems to be indicated by source's report.)

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4. About 12 October 1948, the M. S. Wilke, sailing under the Finnish flag, docked at Rostock and unloaded a cargo of 445,78 metric tons of iron for the Kabelwerk Oberspree. The following Belgian firms were the shippers:

Etablissements Devillez & Camion, Bouillon
 Forges et Lamineirs de l'Etat, Jemappes
 S.A. Les Lamineirs à Froid, Carnières
 S.A. Tubes de Nimy, Nimy

The shipments were made for the account of Premsyrio-Import, Moscow, and were handled by the Foreign Trade section of SMA, Berlin-Karlshorst. On or about the same date, a ship named Alexander Matresow unloaded a similar cargo at Rostock (details not available).

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